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## **Hoosiers Reminded to Report Damage**

INDIANAPOLIS – Hoosiers who have yet to report damage from the severe weather that began September 13 are encouraged to do so.

Reporting methods are an electronic form on the IDHS website ([www.in.gov/dhs](http://www.in.gov/dhs)) or a toll-free number (888-335-9490). As of 9:00 a.m. today, September 23, approximately 300 Hoosiers in southern Indiana have reported wind damage. Information from both sources will be used to help local emergency management agencies and the Indiana Department of Homeland Security preliminarily assess damage to determine if federal assistance can be pursued.

If you have already reported your damage, you do not need to do so again.

The call center is staffed from 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. EST daily by the Indiana Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives. Individuals calling the toll-free number will not be in conversation with FEMA. The website form is available 24 hours a day.

Damage reports from the public will be reviewed and confirmed by IDHS, then a determination will be made about applying for federal assistance.

***THIS REPORT IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ANY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM!***

Be sure to consult your local permitting official *before* starting any repairs!

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